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13 August 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: Legislative Counsel

SUBJECT : Drug-Related Death of Harold Blauer

The Offices of the General Counsel, Inspector General, Security and Technical Services have searched their files for any evidence of a CIA association with the death on 8 January 1953 of Harold Blauer while a patient at the New York State Psychiatric Institute. The results of the search were negative except for the attached Memorandum for the Record, dated 29 January 1954. The Army Inspector General informed me that the Army's Special Operations Division, Fort Dietrick (the unit that Frank Olson was in) had a contract for two years with the Psychiatric Institute (1952-53) to test various mescaline-related and other drugs that the Army was interested in. Blauer died 2-1/2 hours after an injection of an apparent overdose of 450 milligrams of EA 1298. The estate sued New York State for \$500 K; it was settled out of court for \$125 K. If there is any Agency connection at all, it would involve possible Army use for the settlement of funds CIA transferred to the Army on an annual basis starting in FY 1953 in support of a mutual program. We did not require an accounting by the Army for the use of these funds. See the attached memorandum to the DCI from the IG, dated 20 May 1975.

Donald F. Chamberlain

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Inspector General

Attachments a/s

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OGE Doc. # 3211
Marty Rejman 76-177-
with his & family per Doc #10
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SO 3-198
29 January 1954

MORANDUM FOR: The Record
SUBJECT: Chemical Corps

1. On 19 January 1954, [redacted] received a telephone call from
Chemical Corps, Security Officer located in the Pentagon.
[redacted] asked [redacted] if he had heard that the Chemical Corps was
being sued? [redacted] answered, "No." He then asked [redacted] if the suit
rew out of an incident that occurred a little over a year ago? [redacted] stated
that it did.

3. Facts of the referenced incident as reported by [redacted]

Prior to DD/P/TSS taking both an active and financial interest in certain
activities conducted by Chemical Corps relative to experiments involving the use
of Chemical Compounds, the Chemical Corps had a contract with the New York
Psychiatric Institute which is affiliated with Columbia University. A [redacted]
was the Institute's principal investigator. He was carrying out experiments
involving the injection of Mescaline derivatives into patients. In this particular
case the patient died. Relatives of the deceased (name unknown) have brought the
action.

4. [redacted] had been advised of these facts by [redacted] civilian
employee of the Medical Laboratory, Army Chemical Center, Edgewood, Maryland.

5. [redacted] and [redacted] both advised "we had no funds involved
nor were we involved in anyway"; however, the Chemical Corps was keeping TSS
informed of their various activities along these lines. At no time had TSS
requested this experiment. Chemical Corps' contract is for approximately
[redacted] We took a [redacted] financial interest in this phase of
research around 28 February 1953, after the referenced incident occurred.

6. [redacted] was contacted by [redacted] on the 20th and advised him
we did not want the Agency's name mentioned in connection with the case since
we were in no way involved. [redacted] advised he had been so informed and
that he now knew the Agency was not connected or involved in this case. He
further assured [redacted] that the Agency would not be mentioned and that
he would keep us informed in the event Chemical Corps were to receive any
undue publicity. Further information supplied by [redacted] was that the
lawyer was a military man, (presumably a reserve officer) and had been advised
the case involved military connections. The lawyer stated he would give the
case no publicity. And finally the reason for [redacted] contacting the
Agency in the first place was to see if we could help them in anyway to handle
the thing up. He advised they are now using other channels.

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